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Ronald J. Tenpas, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, announced today that on May 7, 2004, **NAPOLEON FROST**, age 29, of Memphis, Tennessee, was sentenced before the United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois, East St. Louis, Illinois to 105 months' imprisonment, 3 years' supervised release, and restitution to Bank of America, Florissant, Missouri of \$19,275.00; RBC Centura Bank, Decatur, Georgia, \$7,603.00; and, US Bank, St. Louis, Missouri of \$6,965.00.

FROST pled guilty on February 11, 2004 to robbing the First Bank of Edwardsville, Illinois on June 13, 2003, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2113(a). FROST pled guilty on April 6, 2004 to robbing the RBC Centura Bank of Decatur, Georgia on May 19, 2003; robbing the Bank of America, New Halls Ferry Road Branch, St. Louis, Missouri on April 28, 2003; and, robbing the US Bank, Gravois Road Branch, St. Louis, Missouri on May 30, 2003; all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2113(a).

The successful prosecution is the result of an investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Edwardsville, Illinois Police Department, and the Illinois State Police.

The prosecution of the case was handled by Assistant United States Attorney Hal Goldsmith.